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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

This Communication is being filed in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, dated September 8, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Notification is due November 8, 2006. Accordingly this Communication is being timely filed.

Applicants respectfully submit herewith an executed Declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b). A copy of the Notification is also enclosed.

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The fee to cover the late filing of the Declaration is enclosed. If any additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1677.

Respectfully submitted,

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